

Springfield, Missouri, celebrating its 100th year of service to the community and God. Trinity Lutheran is honoring this milestone with a year of special services, events and history displays.

Trinity Lutheran Church will welcome several preachers during this special year. Many who were integral to Trinity's 100-year history will honor and remember the congregation's growth, achievements and history of serving the Springfield area and bringing the word to worshippers.

Former Pastor Manny Rodriguez, who left to develop Amigos de Cristo, a mission church in Sedalia, is joining current Trinity Lutheran Pastor Bill R. Marler and Pastor Eric Tessaro to celebrate this anniversary. The pastors are encouraging the congregation to honor their history and consider long range plans to keep the spirit, message and mission of Trinity Lutheran fresh.

Like many churches 100 years ago struggling with finances, Trinity Lutheran began with a small group of households. Pastors from other congregations volunteered to minister in Springfield. Rev. A.F. Woker became the first pastor of Trinity in 1917. Soon, the congregation purchased property and constructed their first home. This building served them for three decades.

Today's well-known location of Trinity Lutheran is the result of a need to expand beyond the restrictions of its first home. As if divinely inspired, Trinity Lutheran moved into the wilderness of Greene County. This decision proved to be a blessing, placing the church in a location that would easily accommodate phenomenal growth in the 1950s and 1960s. It is still the congregation's home today.

Trinity's growth has also been guided by capable long-term pastors, each of whom were strong leaders and deeply rooted scriptural teachers. Such sound leadership and congregational support helped Trinity Lutheran create a number of new ministries, including campus ministry and a school.

Trinity Lutheran is one of Springfield's strong moral pillars, committed to the work of God and compassion for those less fortunate in our community. My hope is that Trinity Lutheran continues its heritage of strong leadership in Springfield for many centuries to come.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF
SERGEANT THOMAS L. COLLINS

HON. TIMOTHY H. BISHOP

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend the intellect and dedication of Sergeant Thomas L. Collins, a lifelong resident of East Hampton, New York, who received a medal and certificate of recognition from the British government for his service as a cryptologist during WWII. So secret was his work during the war, Sgt. Collins' invaluable contributions were not recognized and made public until the 1990s.

After distinguishing himself during training at Arlington Hall, the U.S. cryptography center, he was chosen to escort the Allies' most advanced code-breaking machine, the Dragon, to Britain in 1944. Sgt. Collins carried a loaded Smith & Wesson revolver at all times during

his journey, a testament to the dangerous nature of his mission and the valuable cargo he guarded.

In October 1944, after landing in Scotland, he and the Dragon were transported by rail and truck to the renowned Allied cryptography center at Bletchley Park, and immediately put to use as Allied forces had their first battle on German soil, at Aachen. All told, Sgt. Collins used the Dragon to decode 143 Nazi messages. He was also instrumental in designing a successor to the original Dragon, which was credited with hastening the defeat of the Nazis by many weeks.

Madam Speaker, heroism has many faces, and the labors of dedicated code breakers hundreds of miles from the front lines saved many lives by providing our fighting forces the best intelligence available. Sgt. Collins is a living reminder of the varied contributions made by members of the Greatest Generation in defending freedom. I humbly join the British Government in honoring the wartime service of Sgt. Thomas L. Collins.

RECOGNIZING OHIO CHRISTIAN
UNIVERSITY'S GRADUATING
CLASS OF 2010

HON. STEVE AUSTRIA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Mr. AUSTRIA. Madam Speaker, on behalf of the people of Ohio's Seventh Congressional District, I am honored to recognize Ohio Christian University's graduating class of 2010.

Over the past years, these students have earned academic excellence and grown both spiritually and resourcefully. It was a privilege to attend the University's ceremony and witness such an achievement, as our future leaders are sent out into the community.

Thus, with great pride, I congratulate Ohio Christian University's graduating class of 2010 for its exemplary success and wish each graduate the best in their future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE CHICAGO
HUMAN RHYTHM PROJECT

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, today I rise in recognition of the Chicago Human Rhythm Project's 20th anniversary. Over the last 20 years, the Chicago Human Rhythm Project's extraordinary community building efforts and celebration of American tap and percussive arts has firmly established them as one of Chicago's artistic mainstays.

Founded in 1990, the Chicago Human Rhythm Project, CHRP, has maintained community outreach as the cornerstone of its success. Most notably, CHRP has educated over 10,000 students and provided over \$250,000 in scholarships to students in need to study tap dance during the summer. CHRP has also provided a free outreach residency school program for elementary, high school, and cultural centers throughout the Chicagoland area. The cultivation of a stronger America through art is

further exemplified through their participation in the "Thanks 4 Giving" shared revenue program. Since joining "Thanks 4 Giving" six years ago, CHRP has raised over \$100,000 for charity.

CHRP's dedication to community extends beyond Chicago, Illinois and the United States of America with their involvement in an ongoing cultural exchange program. This program has given CHRP the opportunity to spread American tap dance across the globe by participating in exchanges with Brazil, China, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Switzerland, and Venezuela. As a result of their commitment to the international community, CHRP was selected to represent the United States of America at the 5th Anniversary Beijing International Contemporary Dance Festival in 2007 and the Gala de Estrellas Internacional in Caracas, Venezuela in 2008.

Madam Speaker, I want to thank the Chicago Human Rhythm Project for their continued efforts. It is through their unabashed commitment to the arts and the community at large that they have helped to perpetuate the love affair with American dance and to establish Chicago as a global fine arts destination.

HONORING SISTER ROSEMARIE
NASSIF, SSND, PHD

HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Ms. LEE of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Sister Rosemarie Nassif, SSND, PhD, for her celebrated and successful 11-year tenure as Holy Names University President. On the occasion of her retirement, we recognize the quality and excellence of Sister Rosemarie's career and her talents as a dynamic and inspirational leader. During her time as president, Holy Names University has witnessed record-breaking enrollment, noted student diversity, expanded academic and sports programming, improved facilities, increased alumni participation and overall acclaim.

Sister Rosemarie's religious calling came early in life, and at the age of 17, she entered the School Sisters of Notre Dame. During her early career back East, Sister Rosemarie gained a breadth of experience as Associate Professor of Notre Dame College, St. Louis College of Pharmacy and Co-Vicar for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, Missouri. In Baltimore, she became President of the College of Notre Dame of Maryland and later, President of the Fund for Educational Excellence before leaving that post to join Holy Names University on May 1, 1999.

With a 140-year tradition of providing educational excellence in the Bay Area, Holy Names University, HNU, is a premier, private university founded by the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary and co-educational since 1971. Upon Sister Rosemarie's arrival, the university entered a period of "refoundation," where she, along with faculty and leadership, assessed the university's strengths and the critical needs of their students for the 21st century. She described this process as making the best match between tradition and innovation, while stretching to meet any challenges at hand. With foresight, dedication and solid